Statement

(a) The State Government of Gujarat has suggested sites in Sabarkantha district for the establishment of an innovation university aiming at world class standards. However, the Scheme of innovation universities envisages establishment of the proposed university at Gandhinagar in view of the required level of connectivity and infrastructure.

(b) 14 Innovation Universities, including one at Gandhinagar, are slated for establishment over 11th and 12th Five Year Plan periods.

श्री कांजीभाई पटेल : सर, दुनिया के मानचित्र पर तेजी से उभर रहे गुजरात में विश्व विद्यालय स्थापित करने का केन्द्र का जो निर्णय है, उसका हम स्वागत करते हैं, लेकिन अभी तक इसकी लोकेशन फाइनल नहीं हुई है। मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से यह जानना चाहता हूं कि इसकी लोकेशन कब तक फाइनल होगी और कब तक यह यूनिवर्सिटी स्टार्ट होगी।

SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Sir, as far as the location of this university is concerned; the Gujarat Government has suggested some sites in Sabarkantha district. But, in accordance with the decisions that we have taken, we believe that these universities should be at places where there is connectivity. There is no point setting up innovation universities and world-class universities where there is no availability of connectivity. They should be in places where there is urban infrastructure, where there is education infrastructure, where there is social infrastructure. Therefore, we suggested that this university should be set up near Gandhinagar and the State Government will then respond to us and give us sites in Gandhinagar. As and when that happens, we will be more than happy to carry on with the inspection.

श्री कांजीभाई पटेल : सर, साबरकांठा डिस्ट्रिक्ट बिल्कुल गांधीनगर से सटा हुआ है और इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर की दृष्टि से देखा जाए तो, वहां भी उतना ही इन्फ्रास्ट्रक्चर है, डेवलपमेंट है, जितना की गांधी नगर में है। मैं समझता हूं कि इसको वहां स्थापित करने में कोई आपत्ति नहीं हो सकती है। इसलिए मैं माननीय मंत्री जी से यह जानना चाहता हूं कि कब तक यह फाइनल होगा और कब तक शुरू होगा?

SHRI KAPIL SIBAL: Sir, this is something that we have to decide at the level of the Central Government. The State Government should give us various sites in the context in which we have suggested. And, as and when, the sites are given to us, we will, certainly, carryout inspection and when we find the site suitable we will carry forward and set it up.

MR. CHAIRMAN: Question Hour is over.

WRITTEN ANSWERS TO STARRED QUESTIONS

Formulation of SAPs by States

*426. SHRI RAMDAS AGARWAL: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the number of States so far formulated State Agriculture Plans (SAPs) by enhancing allocations to agriculture and allied sectors in order to reverse the declining trend;

(b) the cumulative allocation for agriculture during 2003-04 as compared to cumulative allocation in the last fiscal year; and

(c) the data from 2007-08 onwards on agriculture and allied Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in respect of all the States to assess overall agricultural growth, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI SHARAD PAWAR): (a) The Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojana (RKVY) was launched in 2007-08 with a view to incentivize the States to invest more in the agriculture and allied sectors based on agriculture plans. Under the new scheme, the states are required to prepare District Agriculture Plans (DAPs) and a comprehensive State Agriculture Plan (SAP) by integrating the DAPs. 577 DAPs have been prepared by States. Sixteen States have also formulated their SAPs.

(b) Aggregate State plan outlay of States for Agriculture & Allied Sectors during 2003-04 was Rs.5040.71 crore and Rs. 17,528.53 crore during 2008-09.

(c) The Gross Domestic Product from agricultural and allied sector at constant 1999-2000 prices for 2007-08 and 2008-09 are Rs.557122 crore and Rs.566045 crore, respectively. The growth rates for agriculture and allied sector's GDP were 4.86% and 1.60% in 2007-08 and 2008-09, respectively. The GDP state-wise, which are available for 2007-08, are given in the Statement.

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State-wise details of agriculture and allied sector's GDP for 2007-08 at constant (1999-2000) prices

Sl.No.	State/Union Territories	Agriculture & Allied Sector's GDP (In Crores Rupees)
1	2	3
1	Andhra Pradesh	58927
2	Arunachal Pradesh	669
3	Assam	12855
4	Bihar	22888
5	Jharkhand	6315
6	Goa	698
7	Gujarat	34625
8	Haryana	21034
9	Himachal Pradesh	5071
10	Jammu & Kashmir	6154
51	Karnataka	30363

1	2	3
12	Kerala	18206
13	Madhya Pradesh	24901
14	Chhattisgarh	9439
15	Maharashtra	55311
16	Manipur	1073
17	Meghalaya	1189
18	Mizoram	376
19	Nagaland	NA
20	Orissa	16552
21	Punjab	30237
22	Rajasthan	34954
23	Sikkim	295
24	Tamil Nadu	24849
25	Tripura	NA
26	Uttar Pradesh	70174
27	Uttarakhand	4365
28	West Bengal	51006
29	A & N Islands	NA
30	Chandigarh	54
31	Delhi	713
32	Puducherry	279
	ALL INDIA	557122

Source: Directorate of Economics & Statistics of respective State Governments, and for All India - Central Statistical Organisation

NA = Not Available

Genetic modification of cash crops

*427. SHRI NAND KUMAR SAI: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Council of Agricultural Research and Department of Bio-technology have recommended various cash crops for developing genetic modifications;

(b) if so, the names of cash crops under review in various institutes as on date, institute-wise;